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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL DHAHRAN IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OREP (BAKER, HOWARD)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF SENATOR BAKER

1. WE ARE FORWARDING A PARTIAL SCHEDULE FOR THE VISIT OF SENATOR BAKER. WE ARE STILL UNABLE TO PROVIDE A FIRM SCHEDULE BECAUSE ROYAL PROTOCOL HAS YET TO GIVE US THE TIMES OF THE SENATOR'S MEETINGS IN DHAHRAN. IT NOW APPEARS LIKELY THAT THE SENATOR WILL BE GIVEN APPOINTMENTS WITH BOTH KING KHALED AND CROWN PRINCE FAHD. CONGEN DHAHRAN IS TRYING TO ENSURE THAT THESE APPOINTMENTS ARE GIVEN FOR SUNDAY MAY 25. IF, HOWEVER, ONE OR BOTH OF THE APPOINTMENTS CANNOT BE SET UP UNTIL MONDAY MAY 26, COULD THE SENATOR STAY OVER ANOTHER DAY AS HE INDICATED (AMMAN TELEGRAM 3437) MIGHT BE POSSIBLE? SENATOR MIGHT THEN PROCEED TO ROME VIA BEIRUT ON MAY 27 AS HE HAD ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED. (ME 443 DEPART DHAHRAN 0730 MAY 27 ARRIVE BEIRUT 1010. ME 231 DEPART BEIRUT 1130, ARRIVE ROME 1245) WOULD APPRECIATE CODEL REPLY ON THIS POINT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE INCLUDE AMCONGEN DHAHRAN AS ADDRESSEE AND US NIACT IMMEDIATE PRECEDENCE. DHAHRAN IS REQUESTED INCLUDE BEIRUT AND ROME ON ANY MESSAGES RELATING TO POSSIBLE SCHEDULE CHANGES.

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2. AMBASSADOR IS PLEASED THAT HE WILL NOW BE ABLE ACCOM-
ODATE THE ENTIRE PARTY AT THE RESIDENCE SINCE A PRE-
VIOUSLY INVITED HOUSEGUEST HAS POSTPONED HIS ARRIVAL.

3. PARTIAL SCHEDULE FOLLOWS:

MAY 24

2040: ARRIVE JIDDA

2050: DEPART AIRPORT

2105: ARRIVE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, BRIEFING BY AMB-
ASSADOR AND SENIOR EMBASSY STAFF.

MAY 25

0700: BAGGAGE PICKUP FROM RESIDENCE

0730: DEPART RESIDENCE FOR AIRPORT

0745: ARRIVE AIRPORT

0815: AIRCRAFT DEPARTS JIDDA. (NOTE THIS FLIGHT IS A
LATER ONE THAN ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED AND HAS BEEN CHOSEN
AT ROYAL PROTOCOL REQUEST. A REPRESENTATIVE OF ROYAL
PROTOCOL WILL BOARD THE AIRCRAFT IN RIYADH AND CONTINUE
WITH SENATOR'S PARTY TO DHAHRAN)

1110: ARRIVE DHAHRAN. MET BY CONSULGEN BAHTI. DHAHRAN
SCHEDULE STILL FLUID PENDING THE CONFIRMATION OF APPOINT-
MENTS WITH THE KING AND THE CROWN PRINCE. WILL
INCLUDE AN ARAMCO BRIEFING AND LUNCH AND DINNER HOSTED
BY ARAMCO. PARTY WILL BE ACCOMMODATED AT HAMILTON
HOUSE, ARAMCO'S VIP GUEST HOUSE.

4. FOR BEIRUT: PLEASE INFORM US (INFO DHAHRAN) BY NIACT IMMEDIATE
IF IN YOUR JUDGMENT THE SECURITY SITUATION IN BEIRUT WOULD
MAKE A TRANSIT OF BEIRUT ON MAY 27 INADVISABLE.

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